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#### ORIGINAL CHRISTMAS STORIES.

Prize Stories by Two Pupils of the Columbla Public School.

for the best original story to be written by one of the pupils of the sixth grade of the Public school. There were several contestants, and as many good stories; but the judges decided the following two to be the best, and between these two they could not decide, therefore we publish both. They are a credit to the school and an honor to their author.

Little Jack's Christmas.

Jack Sanders was a poor little boy: he went to school in the morning and worked in a grocery store in the evening. His mother was a widow and took in sewing to make their living.

And he inoregate
Bible that says:

'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

Gillstein Moore,

11 years old 6th grade.

A Christmas Story.

It was Christmas Eve. Twelve childre It was Christmas Eve. Twelve children were huddled together in a small corner of a very small, coid house. The children's names were Mary, John, Pearl, Emma, Jimmis, Sarah, Belle, Will, Annie, Cyrus, Eugene and Elizabeth Johnston, They had no fether, and their poor mother worked hard day by day to give them food and ciothing. But the children were half from n, for only a sin-

gle piece of very wet wood burned in the fire place. Elizabeth was the oldest of the children, and how her heart ached to see them day by day growing thinner and thinner, and at Christmas nothing to eat and only a piece of a fire. While the Christmas before their father was

her to sleep.
"I wish we could have Christmas like

people that's got plenty," said Mary sadly.

"Let's write to Santa Claus. He may come you know," said gay little Pearl. She always looked on the bright side of things, and as they all agreed she hunted until she found a very dirty piece of pa-

in sewing to make their living.

Jack was a very bright boy and he studied hard.

He was the voungest boy in his class. He did not make much money, but what he made helped his mother a lot.

Christmas was near and Jack was saving part of his money to buy Christmas presents with. He did not expect anything for himself.

He wanted a sled very bad, but he intended to help the people that were poorer than he.

Christmas morning came and Jack arose early and got his wagon and started out.

First he went to see John Simpson and gave him a nice interesting book to read.

"Now, big sister, you tell us the story of our brother, while Pearl writes the letter: said Eugene. They had once had a brother, and they liked for Elizabeth to tell them about him as she often did. "Well then, be very quiet, and don't talk. When we were rich we lived in a large brick house, and I had a brother named Tommy. The people loved and honored my father then. My father loved Tommy, but he did not understand him; for he had many queer notions in his head, and he always longed to be a sailor. So one day after he was grown he ran away, and he never came back again. Mama said she thinks he ran away to sea and got drowned. But ran away to sea and got drowned. But

First he went to see John Simpson and gave him a nice interesting book to read.

And I believe if Johnnie could he would have jumped out of the bed for joy, because he was fond of reading and he had so few things to amuse him.

Next he went to see old Mrs. Themas, and carried her some nice fruit.

She was a cross cid woman and most of the children were afraid of her; but when Jack saw how thankful she was he was glad he came.

Next he went to see John Jackson and his sistsr that lived upon the hill.

As he was going up the hill he netsome boys coasting merrily down the hill on their sleds, and for a moment he sadly thought of the sled he might have had, but only for a moment, and then he girl and boy sitting in the corner crying because Santa Claus had forgotten them; and when he gave them the top and doll and candy, you ought to have seen their faces change.

Then he went home and his mother met him at the door with a kiss, for she had found the soft warm slippers he had placed beside the bed

She said, "Now Jack, you have been so kind to others go and look in your room and see if anybody has remembered you."

When he got to his room to his delight and surprise he found a fine new sled from Urcle Jack, and a pair of sintes from his mother.

That night when he went to beeh told his mother that this had been the happiest Christmas he had ever spent.

And he never dand he should never come home again; and he never did. That's all, and di's time you children were off to bed.

And in a half an hour the mother (who had come in while she was telling the story) and Elizabeth got the children to door.

"Mother, some one knocked," said Elizabeth, with her heart almost in her mouth. Her mother opened the door, and there stood a tail man with a fur the story and Elizabeth got the children to door.

"Men he reached the house he found the girl have here, sir, do you want to he was welcome to what she did have. So he slept on a rog in front of the fire.

So he slept on a rog in front of the fire. I try to the was welcome to

been heated.

"Santa Tause did tome," said Baby
Belle, jumping up and down and clapping her hands "That he did, littlesister, and so did Brother Tommy,"
said the stranger, picking her up
"Mother, don't you know me, your lost
boy?" And in a minute she knew him.
"Welcome home. Tommy, welcome

The children always said this was the happiest Christmas they had ever had. Soon after, they moved into a handsome house, and had everything nice. EFFIE WILL POWEL,

age lif years, 6th grade.

Charged With Horse-Stealing, Illegal Whisky Selling and Carrying Pistol.

Three new colored boarders were rejistered at Sheriff Hight's hostlery this the Christmas before their father was living and they had a plenty.

"Mother will never tome, and I dess it's most free clock," sighed Baby Belle, almost ready to cry.

"She will be here by and by, Baby, so don't cry. That's a good little girl," and Elizabeth took the baby up to rock her to sleep.

"I wish we could have Christmas like" istered at Sheriff Hight's hostlery this morning, all of them hailing from Mt. Pleasant. Jim Bugg was arrested by Officer Friel on the charge of horse-don't cry. That's a good little girl," and Elizabeth took the baby up to rock her to sleep.

"I wish we could have Christmas like" a misses from the grand jury. capiases from the grand jury.

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Webb Ridley to Tennessee Phosphate Co , 4 acres in 13th district, \$1,000. A. J. Fly, Sr., to A. J. Fly, Jr., 79
5-16 acres in 10th district, \$3,200.
J. D. Vestal et ux, to W. M. Woody,
55 acres in 18th district, \$1,000.
George W. Wilkes et ux, to H. P.
Figuers, half interest in lot in 9th dis-

J. W. Pennington to G. W. Delk, acres in 17th district, \$1,027.17. E. S. Dooley et ux, to T. J. Dooley et al, 60 acres, \$1,000.



WANT NO DIVING BOATS.

German Naval Architects Are Satis-Red with the Present Style of Warships.

The Society of Naval Architects met at Charlottenburg the other day. Emperor William, the secretaries of state. the Prussian ministers and many high military and naval officers were present. The grand duke of Oldenburg presided. Geheimrath Burley read a paper on "Submarine Boats," in which he said that they offered no good prospects for the future and congratulated the German admiralty "on abstaining from costly and protracted experiments" and confining themselves to the construction of battleships, cruisers and torpedo boats, adding that there was no reason to expect that the creation of a strong navy, as initiated by the emperor, would be disturbed by fear of submarine boats. The paper was much applauded.

December Immersions.

Nicholasville, Ky., Dec. 26.-The white and Negro Baptists have been holding revivals here, and Bev. Clark. colored, of Covington, baptized 40 converts Sunday at Ross Lake, at the netion of the Queen & Crescent and chmond, Nicholasville, Irvine & Beattyville railways, in the presence of an immense crowd. The meeting by the white people closed without

CIRCUIT COURT.

Three Other Petitions For Cand m a

Thee other petitions for condemns tion have been filed in the Circuit Courat this place by the Mt. Pleasant Southern Railway against M. P. Harris, J. A. Harlan and W. T. L. Morrow, seeking to secure right-of-way through their lands in the Ettaton neighborhood.

MARRIAGES.

James E. Hayes to Miss Mattie A Logue, C. H Johnson to Miss Beulah U.

G. W. Gilliam to Miss Lizzie David-

Jim King to Miss Fannie Massey.
J. A. Wright to Miss Carrie Coleman.
W. F. Gilliam to Miss V. M. Craig.
H. N. Cheek to Miss P. O. White.
W. J. R. Weatherford to Miss A. R.

Chas. Gardner to M ss Cora Renfroe. W. J. Rook to Miss Maggie Lorne. T C. Trousdale to Miss Eura Thur-

Cecil McMice to Miss Etta Pugh Thomas Meridin to Miss Hattie

O. S. Brown to Miss B. M. Dodson Carl W. Francis to Miss Jennie

Joe Roddy to Mrs. Annie Norman. A DEFINITION CLEARER.

In calling people traitors

Who cannot yetagree
To schemes of loot and conquest
In lands across the sea
Of definition clearer
There seems to be a need—
Are they false to Freedom's teaching,
Or the imperial creed?

Who are the traitors really?
Men of that sturdy strain?
Or those who would deny our faith
For ends of selfish gain?
Bring out our old-time doctrine,
A test that's sure and sound,
And Judge by them who's faithless to
The creed by which we're bound!—
St. Louis Republic.

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York.

Another train leaves Memphis at 8:00 p. m., arriving Washington the second morning at 7:40 a. m., Baltimore 9:12 a. m., Philadelphia 11:35 a. m., New York 2:03 p. m. This train passes through Chattanooga, Bristol, Tenn. and Lynchburg, Va., and carries handsome Pullman Drawing Room sleeping car Memphis to Washington. At Chattanooga, Cafe Observation car is attached and meals are served enroute as far as Radford, Va.

Coming via Nashville, passengers leave Nashville at 9:30 p. m. and arrive Washington 6:42 a. m. second morning, Baltimore 8:00 a. m., Philadelphia 10:15 Baltimore 8:00 a. m., Philadelphia 10:15 a. m., New York 12:43 p. m. This train carries handsome Pullman sleeping car Nashville to New York via Chattanooga and Asheville without change, and passes through the beautiful scenery of Western North Carolina, "The Land of the Sky," by day-light.

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Matrimonial Market on a Boom. The matrimonial market has been on quite a boom during the past few days. During Saturday and Mon-day County Court Clerk Thomas and Deputy Hardin Thomas issued thirty-seven marriage licenses

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Mrs. Sarah Pike. 477 Broadway, South Boston, writes:

"I am seventy years old, and had not enjoyed good health for twenty years. I was sick in different ways, and in addition, had Eczema terribly on one of my legs. The doctor said that on account of my age, I would never be well again. I took a dozen bottles of S. S. S. and it cured me completely and I am happy to say that I feel as well as I ever did in my life.'

Mr. J. W. Loving, of Colquitt, Ga., says: "For eightoen years I suffered tortures from a fiery eraption on my skin. I tried almost every known remedy, but they falled one by one, and I was told that my age, which is sixty six, was against me, and that I could never hope to be well again. I finally took S. S. S., and it cleansed my blood thoroughly, and now I am in perfect health."

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#### Satterfield & Dodson.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 26.-Charles Schmiltz, a printer, was struck on the head and seriously wounded by an un-known robber early Sunday morn-ing. The blow rendered Mr. Schmiltz unconscious, and the footpad robbed him of a gold watch and \$10. It is feared his skull is fractured.

Gen. Duke Will Be There.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 26.—Gen. Basil W. Duke will be the legislative repreentative of the L. & N. railroad at Brankfort this winter. This statement was made officially to contradict a report that Gen. Duke would not represent the road became of his alleged unpopularity with the dem-ocracy of the state but would be superceded by William F. Browder.

